

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 of the application with the following replacement paragraph.

Figure 1 illustrates the dual fishing rod holder 1. The dual rod holder includes a first, tip-down rod holder 2 and a second, tip-up rod holder 3 connected to a single mounting post 4. The mounting post is sized and dimensioned to fit standard rod holders, such as may be installed in the gunwale of a small boat. The tip-down rod holder 2 is an elongate member with a "proximal" attached to the mounting post (that is, proximal relative to the fisherman, when in use) and a distal end. As shown, the mounting post and tip-down rod holder as conveniently made from a single tube 5 approximately 34" long and contains a bend 6 of between 45° to 60° near its midpoint. This bend is positioned approximately 20" from the distal end of rod holder (which is most suitable for rod holders mounted on the aft gunwale, as explained below in relation to Figure 2). The tube is made of aluminum or stainless steel pipe that is 1" to 1-1/4" in diameter. The diameter is sufficient for placement of the mounting post portion into standard fishing rod holders contained on the gunwales of a boat. Alternatively, the mounting post may be placed in any suitable receiver or support structure on the boat, and may adapted as necessary to fit receivers or mounting structures of various design. At the distal end of the tip-down rod holder are two straps 7 8A, 8B. The straps are attached through two 1/2" to 3/4" diameter holes, holes 7U and 7L, contained on the rod holder. The straps are comprised of standard nylon or similar web strap material and contain marine quality clips 9, 10 at the ends that are not attached to the rod holder. The clips releasably attach through reel eyes located on the outside faces of a reel. Once a

fishing pole is attached to the first rod holder, the tip of the fishing rod is oriented in a downward position such that the tip is facing the water.